

Preliminary Amendment  
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The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-7 Cancelled

8. (Original) An overload control apparatus for overload-controlling an inverter power generation apparatus comprising an AC generator driven by an internal combustion engine, a rectifier to rectify an output of said AC generator and an inverter to convert an output voltage of said rectifier into an AC voltage of constant frequency and to supply it to a load, said overload control apparatus comprising a load current detector to detect a load current flowing through said inverter, an instant stop command generation circuit to generate a stop command to instruct said inverter to be stopped immediately when the value of said load current detected by said load current detector is compared with an allowable threshold value and said load current exceeds said allowable threshold value, at least one overload stop command generation circuit to perform a time interval operation for a time set in accordance with the value of said overload judgement value when the value of said load current detected by said load current detector is compared with the overload judgment value set at a value smaller than said allowable threshold value and it is detected that said load current exceeds said overload judgment value and to generate a stop command to instruct said inverter to be stopped when said time interval operation is completed and inverter stop means to stop the operation of said inverter when said stop command is generated from either of said instant stop command generation circuit and said overload stop command generation circuit.

Claims 9-14 Cancelled